

ATTACHMENT B
DRAFT ISSUES FOR RESOLUTION

1. How do AFRP and BDCP interact? Does AFRP set a goal that BDCP must contribute to meeting?
2. What assurances for environmental quality are parallel to those provided to the applicants under No Surprises.
3. How will BDCP use the flow criteria developed by the California State Water Resources Control Board flow report in “informing planning decisions for ... the Bay Delta Conservation Plan.” Sec. 85086(c)(1).
4. How will BDCP prepare “a comprehensive review and analysis of... a reasonable range of flow criteria, rates of diversion, and other operational criteria required to satisfy the criteria for approval of a natural community conservation plan as provided in subdivision (a) of Section 2820 of the Fish and Game Code, and other operational requirements and flows necessary for recovering the Delta ecosystem and restoring fisheries under a reasonable range of hydrologic conditions, which will identify the remaining water available for export and other beneficial uses.” Sec. 85320(b)(2)(A).
5. Is scenario 7 the preferred alternative of the NGOs? If so, what additional level of analysis and consideration should it receive?
6. How will BDCP develop “a transparent, real-time operational decision-making process in which fishery agencies ensure that applicable biological performance measures are achieved in a timely manner with respect to water system operations,”
7. Does BDCP have to include an alternative or appendix to comply with this code section: “reduce reliance on the Delta in meeting California’s future water supply needs through a statewide strategy of investing in improved regional supplies.”
8. Should BDCP contemplate increased diversions from the Delta in the event that biological operating restrictions are reduced because of species recovery and perhaps delisting.
9. How will USBR comply with Section 7, but still utilize the information and analyses in BDCP?
10. The Fish agencies should present their rationale regarding the permittee issue before a decision is made.
11. How will the finance plan include the beneficiary pays principal? What role will public finance play? Does the finance plan vary with facility size, if one is selected?
12. Does the current schedule allow for sufficient review of all reasonable alternatives?

